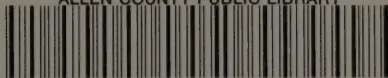


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GENEALOGICAL RESEARCH

A GUIDE TO SOURCE MATERIALS IN THE NEW JERSEY STATE LIBRARY
AND OTHER STATE AGENCIES

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THE NEW JERSEY STATE LIBRARY,

The New Jersey State Library maintains an extensive collection of 1500 family histories, mainly New Jersey families and families associated with other Northeastern states. It includes unpublished manuscript histories, family trees, bible records, etc., as well as printed books and pamphlets. Important sets of lineage books such as those of the Daughters of the American Revolution, the Daughters of Founders and Patriots of America, the Daughters of the American Colonists, and the Sons and Daughters of the Pilgrims are also on file.

The Library maintains an extensive collection of materials on New Jersey history, including periodicals, county histories, and municipal histories, as well as state-wide histories and biographies.

Of particular importance is the Family Name Index, an analytical card index to significant material on a family in the genealogical and historical books in the State Library. This is an index to parts of books and individual chapters in books, but not of every name mentioned in the books. It does not include periodicals or large sets of books which have their own indexes.

For those interested in heraldry, the State Library maintains a family-name card index to reproductions of coats-of-arms found in books in the Library's collection.

Both of these indexes are kept up-to-date as new books are added to the Library.

Other aids to genealogical research in the State Library, besides the source material mentioned on the following pages, are published archives of other states, maps and atlases concerning New Jersey and its various subdivisions, important historical and genealogical periodicals, and genealogical and historical encyclopedias.

The New Jersey State Library, because of its limited staff, cannot comply with requests for information that involve extensive genealogical research. For this reason we must ask individuals desiring this kind of information to make the research themselves or employ someone for the purpose. The staff will place the necessary books and records at the disposal of those seeking information and every courtesy will be shown. No books or records, however, will be loaned to go outside the Library.

For the benefit of those who may wish to employ someone for the purpose of making genealogical searches, the Library will be glad to furnish the names of competent persons who may be engaged for this type of work.

The New Jersey State Library is located on the ground floor of the east wing of the State House Annex, West State Street, Trenton 25, New Jersey. The Library is open 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. Monday - Friday except Holidays.

GENEALOGICAL RESEARCH -- GENERAL PRINCIPLES

1. Gather information already in your family. Family bibles, family record books, diaries, conversations with older members, and correspondence with relatives, especially any who have done research, will provide a good start.
2. Organize your material into family groups and pedigrees. Printed blank forms can be purchased at book or stationery stores for this purpose.
3. Obtain a working knowledge of libraries, their collections and their use.
4. Learn to use the various aids found in libraries and books, such as indexes, tables of contents, appendixes, bibliographies, and code numbering of individuals and generations.
5. Learn to use published material on ancestral lines. Perhaps the research has already been done for you.
6. Learn something of the history, geography and social customs of the lands occupied by the people on your pedigree charts. The terms used to designate relationships in ancient wills, deeds, diaries and letters (cousin, son-in-law, son, daughter, brother, etc.) have variant meanings which are quite different from their use in the modern sense.
7. Make proper citations for all information as it is gathered.
8. Take orderly notes on cards or in a notebook.
9. Learn which libraries have genealogical collections and the scope of their collection. The necessary sources for your research may be in a library near your home.
10. Most researchers find a knotty problem occasionally which requires the services of an expert. A professional genealogist can often solve a hard problem quickly because he knows just where to look and also how to look. Home town genealogists and family genealogists (those compiling information on a special family) may also be of help.

GENEALOGICAL RESEARCH GUIDES

- Bennett, Archibald F. A guide for genealogical research. Salt Lake City, Genealogical Society of the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-Day Saints, 1951. 338p.
- Doane, Gilbert H. Searching for your ancestors; the how and why of genealogy. Minneapolis, University of Minnesota Press, 1948. 176p.
- Everton, Walter M. The handy book for genealogists. Logan, Utah, The Everton Publishers, 1949. 205p.
- Kirkham, E. Kay ABC's of American genealogical research. 3d ed. rev. Salt Lake City, Deseret, 1955. 123p.
- Kirkham, E. Kay Research in American genealogy: a practical approach to genealogical research. Salt Lake City, Deseret, 1956. 447p.
- Stevenson, Noel C. Search and research, the researchers handbook. Whittier, Calif., Western Printing Company, 1951. 204p.

ARCHIVES

Archival materials are located in the Bureau of Archives and History, New Jersey State Library. State House Annex, Trenton 25, New Jersey.

A subject index on cards to archival materials which are in the Bureau and in other locations in the state, such as local historical associations, is maintained. The Bureau also has various indexes to other groups of archival materials located in the State Library.

Some interesting examples of archives in the New Jersey State Library:

Burlington County -- Loan Office Mortgages 1724-1750. 3 vol.

Claims for damages by the British in New Jersey. 1776-1782.

Inquisitions on the dead. 1688-1798. 2 vol.

Naturalizations in Chancery. 1834-1842. 4 vol.

Petitions for Naturalization. 1749-1810.

Township minute books -- Various townships.

BIRTHS

Birth records 1848 to date located at New Jersey Department of Health, Bureau of Vital Statistics, State House, Trenton 25, New Jersey.

May 1, 1848--Dec. 31, 1900 - Indexed - Complete alphabetical index for entire state.

Jan. 1, 1901--date. Entire state strictly alphabetical by individual years. (Special indexes for some years by counties and cities, and first letters of surnames arranged alphabetically.)

If correct year is known, no charge is made. When year is not known, a charge of 50¢ is made for a search through the first 3 years' records, plus 25¢ for each additional year. A photostatic copy is \$1 additional.

No special application form is needed.

For birth records before 1848:

There is no complete state-wide or even county-wide index. The following sources are suggested for searching:

Census records.

Church (baptismal) records.

Family histories.

Miscellaneous files (In N. J. State Library)

Periodicals.

LIST OF BOOK DEALERS SPECIALIZING IN OUT-OF-PRINT MATERIALS IN THE FIELD OF
NEW JERSEY HISTORY AND GENEALOGY

Barnes & Noble
Fifth Ave. at 18th Street
New York, New York

(Genealogy)

Charles H. Dressel
352 Broad Street
Newark, New Jersey

(Genealogy and History)

Goodspeed's Book Shop
18 Beacon Street
Boston 8, Massachusetts

(Genealogy and History)

Leary's Book Store
9 South 9th Street
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania

(Genealogy and History)

George S. MacManus
2022 Walnut Street
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania

(Genealogy and History)

Schulte's Book Store
80 Fourth Ave.
New York, New York

(Genealogy)

Traver's Book Store
19 East State Street
Trenton, New Jersey

(Genealogy and History)

CENSUS RECORDS

Census records in New Jersey State Library, State House Annex, Trenton 25, N.J.:

1830 (U.S.)	<u>MICROFILM</u>	<u>14 counties</u>	<u>Complete set</u>
	Bergen	Middlesex	
	Burlington	Monmouth	
	Cape May	Morris	
	Cumberland	Salem	
	Essex	Somerset	
	Gloucester	Sussex	
	Hunterdon	Warren	

1840 (U.S.)	<u>MICROFILM</u>	<u>18 Counties</u>	<u>Complete set</u>
	Atlantic	Mercer	
	Bergen	Middlesex	
	Burlington	Monmouth	
	Cape May	Morris	
	Cumberland	Passaic	
	Essex	Salem	
	Gloucester	Somerset	
	Hudson	Sussex	
	Hunterdon	Warren	

1850 (U.S.)		<u>20 Counties in 16 Volumes</u>	<u>Complete set</u>
v. 1.	Atlantic	v. 10.	Middlesex
	Cape May	11.	Monmouth
	Bergen	12.	Morris
2.	Burlington	13.	Ocean
3.	Camden		Somerset
4.	Cumberland	14.	Passaic
	Gloucester	15.	Salem
5.	Essex - Newark	16.	Sussex
6.	Essex	17.	Warren*, and parts
7.	Hudson		of Sussex, Morris
8.	Hunterdon		& Hunterdon.
9.	Mercer		

1855 (N.J.)		<u>13 Counties in 3 volumes</u>	<u>7 Missing</u>
v. 1.	Atlantic	v. 2. (cont'd)	Burlington
	Bergen		Cape May
	Camden		Essex
	Cumberland	3.	Mercer
	Gloucester		Middlesex
2.	Hunterdon		Ocean
	Hudson		Salem

*Pahaquarry township sheet is included in Sussex County volume.

1860 (U.S.)	<u>21 Counties in 23 Volumes</u> (Union County est. 1857)	<u>Complete</u>
1865 (N.J.)	<u>13 Counties in 4 Volumes</u>	<u>8 Missing</u>
v. 1. Atlantic	v. 2. (cont'd)	Cape May
Bergen	Hunterdon	Essex
Burlington	3. Middlesex	Mercer
Camden	Monmouth	Morris
2. Cumberland	Passaic	Ocean
Gloucester	4. Salem	Somerset
Hudson	Union	Sussex
		Warren
1870 (U.S.)	<u>21 Counties in 25 Volumes</u>	<u>Complete</u>
1880 (U.S.) <u>MICROFILM</u>	<u>21 Counties</u>	<u>Complete</u>
1885 (N.J.)	<u>21 Counties in 44 Volumes</u> (Also Summary Volume)	<u>Complete</u>
1895 (N.J.)	<u>21 Counties in 54 Volumes</u>	<u>Complete</u>
Census Records in N. J. Dept. of Health, Bureau of Vital Statistics, State House, Trenton 25, New Jersey, on Microfilm:		
1905 (N.J.)	<u>21 Counties in 74 Volumes</u>	<u>Complete</u>
1915 (N.J.)	<u>21 Counties in 99 Volumes</u>	<u>Complete</u>

Any request for information from the 1905 and 1915 New Jersey State Census Records on file with the Department of Health must give the person's name, the municipality and county in which he lived at the time of the census, the street name, house number, and ward number if any. In stating the municipality or township do not use the name of any unincorporated village or community, since these do not appear in the census records.

Failure to supply the necessary information will make it impossible for them to conduct the search for the record you require.

All requests must be in writing or on a special form provided by the Department.

INFORMATION IN CENSUS RECORDS:

- 1830 - Name, sex, age (Under 5 yrs; 5-10; 10-15; 15-20; 20-30; 30-40; 40-50; 50-60; 60-70; 70-80; 80-90; 90-100; 100 and over; colored (slave and free))
- 1840 - " " "
- 1850 - " " Birthplace, occupation, value of real estate
- 1855 - " " race
- 1860 - " " age, birthplace, occupation, value of real & personal property
- 1865 - " " race
- 1870 - " " age, birthplace, occupation, value of real & personal property
- 1880 - " " birthplace, marital status, occupation, parent's birthplace
- 1885 - " " race (5 yrs; 5-20 yrs; 20-60 yrs; over 60 yrs of age)
- 1895 - " " "
- 1905 - " " age (yr. & month) occupation, marital status, birthplace, parent's birthplace.
- 1915 - " " "

Note: The first Federal census was taken in 1790. Some of the early census returns were lost, burned or in some manner destroyed. The original New Jersey census returns for 1790, 1800, 1810 and 1820 are missing, and presumed destroyed.

COUNTIES OF NEW JERSEY			HISTORICAL NOTES
COUNTY	WHEN FORMED	COUNTY SEAT	
Atlantic	1837	Mays Landing	Formed from Townships of Gallo- way, Hamilton, Weymouth and Egg Harbor, Gloucester Co., a por- tion of Hammononton annexed to Burlington Co., 1902.
Bergen	1682	Hackensack	Bergen county was one of the di- visions of East Jersey made 1682. Passaic Co. set off 1837; Hudson Co., 1840; part Harrison Twp., Hudson Co., was added as Union Twp. 1852.
Burlington	May 17, 1694	Mt. Holly	Formed by the union of the first and second tenths of West Jersey in 1694. Hunterdon Co., set off 1714. Portion of Burlington Co. to Mercer Co. 1838; to Ocean Co. 1891. Portions of Atlantic and Camden Co. annexed 1902.
Camden	1844	Camden	Formed from Camden, Delaware, Gloucester, Newton, Union, Wash- ington and Waterford Twp., Glou- cester Co. Twp. of Monroe and Washington to Gloucester Co. 1871; portion of Waterford Twp. to Bur- lington Co. 1902.

HISTORICAL NOTES

COUNTY SEAT

WHEN FORMED

COUNTY

Cape May

Nov. 12, 1692

Cape May Court House

Created 1692 and boundaries established Jan. 21, 1710. Port of Cumberland Co. set off to Cape May Co. 1844 and restored 1845; portions of Maurice River Twp., Cumberland Co., were set off to Cape May Co. 1878, 1880, and 1891.

Cumberland

Jan. 19, 1743

Salem

Cumberland Co. Set off from Salem Co; boundary between Gloucester and Cumberland Co. changed 1892 and restored 1897; portion of Maurice River Twp. was annexed to Upper Twp., Cape May Co. 1844 and restored 1845; part added to Upper Twp., Cape May Co., 1878; to Dennis Twp., Cape May Co., 1891.

Essex

1682

Newark

Essex Co. was one of the four counties into which East Jersey was divided in 1682, and boundaries defined Jan. 21, 1710. Portion set off to Somerset Co., 1741; to Passaic Co., 1837; as Union Co., 1857; the boundary was changed 1876 and 1892.

Gloucester

May 17, 1694

Woodbury

Gloucester Co. originally constituted by the union of the third and fourth tenths of West Jersey in 1694. Incorporated as a county 1710. Portion set off to form Atlantic Co., 1837; Camden Co., 1844. Boundary between Gloucester and Cumberland counties changed 1892; part of Camden Co. added, 1891.

COUNTY

WHEN FORMED

COUNTY SEAT

HISTORICAL NOTES

Hudson

Feb. 22, 1840

Jersey City

Created from Bergen Co. and consisted of Bergen and Harrison townships and Jersey City. Part of Harrison Twp. made Union Twp. and annexed to Bergen Co. 1852.

Hunterdon

March 11, 1714

Flemington

Formed from Burlington Co. Part was set off to Morris Co. Morris Co. March 15, 1739; to Mercer Co., 1838 and 1839. Hopewell Twp., Mercer Co., added to Hunterdon Co. 1844, and restored 1845. Tewksbury Twp. set off to Somerset Co., 1844, and reannexed, 1845.

Mercer

Feb. 22, 1838

Trenton

Erected from townships of Ewing, Hopewell, Lawrence and Trenton, Hunterdon Co.; Nottingham Twp., Burlington Co., and townships of East and West Windsor, Middlesex County. Portion of Montgomery Twp., Somerset Co., annexed 1838. Hopewell Twp., Hunterdon Co., annexed 1839.

Middlesex

1682

New Brunswick

One of the four counties into which East Jersey was divided in 1682. Defined by act, Jan. 21, 1710. Boundary between Middlesex and Somerset counties changed Nov. 24, 1790. Somerset Co. set off in 1683; part set off to form Mercer Co. 1838; part added Monmouth Co. 1844 and restored 1845; part of Somerset Co. added 1850; part added to Somerset Co. 1858; to Union Co. 1858.

COUNTY

WHEN FORMED

COUNTY SEAT

HISTORICAL NOTES

Monmouth

1682

Freehold

One of the four counties erected from East Jersey. Ocean Co. set off in 1850.

Morris

March 15, 1739

Morristown

Formed from Hunterdon County. Sussex Co. formed from Morris Co. June 8, 1753.

Ocean

Feb. 15, 1850

Toms River

Created from Monmouth Co. and consisted of Jackson, Plumstead, Stafford, Union, Dover and Brick townships. Little Egg Harbor, Burlington Co., added 1891, and part Jackson twp. added to Monmouth Co., 1851.

Passaic

1837

Paterson

Created from portions of Bergen and Essex counties, and consisted of the townships of Acquackanonk, Manchester, Paterson, Pompton, and West Milford.

Salem

May 17, 1694

Salem

Established from what was generally known as the Salem Tenth of West Jersey. Portion set off as Cumberland Co. Jan. 19, 1748.

Somerset

1688

Somerville

Set off from Middlesex Co. in 1688 and incorporated Jan. 21, 1710. Portion of Essex Co. annexed 1744; boundary between Somerset and Middlesex counties changed Nov. 24, 1790; portion of Montgomery Twp. was set off to Mercer Co. 1838; Tewksbury Twp., Hunterdon Co., added 1844, and restored 1845; portion of Middlesex Co. was added 1858.

COUNTY	WHEN FORMED	COUNTY SEAT	HISTORICAL NOTES
Sussex	June 8, 1753	Newton	Created from Morris Co. Portion of Sussex Co. set off as Warren Co. Nov. 20, 1824.
Union	March 19, 1857	Elizabeth	Created from Essex Co. and consisted of Elizabeth and the townships of Rahway, Union, Westfield, Plainfield, New Providence and Springfield; boundaries were changed 1876 and 1892.
Warren	Nov. 20, 1824	Belvidere	Created from Sussex Co.

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DEATHS

All death records are located at New Jersey Department of Health, Bureau of Vital Statistics, State House, Trenton 25, New Jersey,

May 1, 1848--May 31, 1878. Complete alphabetical index for period.

June 1, 1878--Dec. 31, 1900. Not indexed; arranged by years, by counties and cities, and first letters of surnames.

Jan. 1, 1901--date. Entire state strictly alphabetical by individual years (Special indexes for some years, 1916 to 1929 incl.)

If correct year is known, no charge is made. When the year is not known, a charge of 50¢ is made for a search through the first 3 years, plus 25¢ for each additional year. A photostatic copy is \$1 additional. No special application form is needed.

Death records before 1848:

No state-wide or county-wide index is available. Some suggested sources for searching are:

Census records.

Church and cemetery records.

Family histories.

Local history.

Miscellaneous file. (In N. J. State Library)

Newspapers (Index to vital statistics in Trenton newspapers.)

Periodicals.

War records.

Wills and inventories.

DEEDS

Deeds before 1800: Located at Office of New Jersey Secretary of State, State House, Trenton 25, New Jersey.

Deeds covering c. 1670 to 1800 (Very incomplete, deeds for approximately 25% of land transactions made during the period). One alphabetical index for entire period, under both grantee and grantor. Please give variant spellings of names.

No charge is made for search. Price for photostats varies from 50¢ to \$1 per page, according to size. Average deed is 2 to 3 pages long.

No special form of application is needed.

Some deeds before 1800 are located in the office of the East Jersey Proprietors, Perth Amboy, and the office of the West Jersey Proprietors in Burlington, New Jersey.

Deeds after 1800:

Kept in respective counties, in County Clerk's office. Some are on file however, at the Office of the New Jersey Secretary of State.

Other probable sources for material on property ownership:

Archives

Census

Local history

Maps

Ratables

MARRIAGES

Before 1800: Located at Office of New Jersey Secretary of State, State House, Trenton 25, New Jersey:

1665 to 1800 — Marriage bonds. (Very incomplete; these bonds represent approximately 25% of the marriages which took place in this period)

One alphabetical index for whole period by bride's or groom's name.
Printed index: New Jersey Archives, First series, Vol. XXII. No charge made for search. Photostatic copies about 50¢ each.

No special application form is needed.

1800 to 1848: Period during which no state-wide records of marriages were kept.

For period 1800-1848 and other periods for which official records are not located:

Suggestions for searching.

County historical associations. Some counties have made county-wide indexes for the 1800-1848 period.

Census records.

Church records.

Family histories.

Miscellaneous file. (In N. J. State Library)

Newspapers (Index to vital statistics in Trenton newspapers)

Periodicals.

War records.

Wills.

See also card index in Bureau of Archives, State Library. They have some county marriage record books, e.g. Somerset County, 1822-18?

After 1848 to date: Located at New Jersey Dept. of Health, Bureau of Vital Statistics, State House, Trenton 25, N. J.:

When correct year is known, no charge is made. If correct year is not known, a charge of 50¢ is made for a search through the first 3 years, plus 25¢ for each additional year. A photostatic copy is \$1 additional

No special application form is needed.

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NEWSPAPERS

Some large sets on file in the New Jersey State Library; State House Annex, Trenton 25, New Jersey:

Freehold Monmouth Democrat, 1854-1903.

Newark Daily Advertiser, 1832-1904.

Trenton Daily State Gazette, 1778-1918.

Trenton Daily True American, 1801-1908.

Trenton Emporium and True American 1821-1843.

Trenton Federalist, 1802-1829.

"Index to Vital Statistics in Trenton Newspapers" located in the New Jersey State Library:

Covers period from 1776 to 1900.

On 3x5 cards, 120 drawers.

Indexes: Death notices.

Marriage notices, card for both bride and groom.

Entire period in one alphabet.

R/TABLES

This is a set of record-books for towns and townships on microfilm in the New Jersey State Library, State House Annex, Trenton 25, New Jersey, listing the landowners for purposes of taxation. Some information on holdings of livestock, etc. is given.

Coverage of the state is incomplete. The period covered is roughly 1773 to 1822. If there is a tax ratable book for a town covering this early period, it somewhat replaces the 1790 Federal Census "Heads of Families" of which the N. J. book was destroyed.

There is no name index. Therefore searches must be made in each town book.

Guide to towns and years covered for each place is located on cards in Reference Library Catalog under "Ratables".

WAR RECORDS

All N. J. military records are located at N. J. Dept. of Defense, War Records Office, Armory, Trenton, N. J.

All extant military records of New Jersey men or women who served in all wars are kept in this office. Records before the Revolution are very sketchy, but from the Revolution on they are fairly complete. Records include those of service in New Jersey Militia and National Guard as well as in U. S. military forces.

Charges: 50¢ for each search; \$1 for each certified copy of military record. Payable in advance. Same charges are made whether applicant visits the office or applies by mail.

Indexes in New Jersey State Library:

Stryker, W. S. Official register of the officers and men of N. J. in the Revolutionary War. 1872.

Historical Records Survey, New Jersey. Index of the official register of the officers and men of New Jersey in the Revolutionary War. 1941.

N. J. office of the Adjutant General. Records of Officers and Men of New Jersey in wars 1791-1815. 1909.

Stryker, W. S. Record of the officers and men of New Jersey in the Civil War, 1861-1865. 2 vol. 1876.

WILLS

All Wills and Inventories located at Clerk of the Superior Court, Probate Section, State House Annex, Trenton 25, N. J.

1663-1900 -- Alphabetical index for each county.
1901- -- Entire state in one alphabet.

All the wills and inventories are thoroughly indexed by the name of the testator; it is not necessary to know the year of the will or date of death. No charge for searching is made unless no date is supplied or name of county is not supplied for wills prior to 1901. A charge of \$1.00 is then made regardless of whether the search reveals the requested information. When the above information is known, however, the documents may be requested for examination free of charge. There is a short wait (up to $\frac{1}{2}$ hr.) for older documents which are stored elsewhere. Photostats are supplied at a charge of \$1.00 a sheet, payable in advance. Most of the wills consist of two or three sheets, but may have as many as five or six.

There is also a partial record before 1953, and a complete record after that date, of all estates for which letters of administration were granted (i.e. the settling of an estate for which there is no will or inventory.) This is merely a record, however; the actual documents are retained in the various counties, and must be consulted there.

Indexes and Abstracts of Wills located in the N. J. State Library; State House Annex, Trenton 25, New Jersey.

1670-1817 -- Abstracts of Wills in New Jersey Archives.

13 volumes -- Each volume covers approximately five years.
Abstracts in each volume arranged alphabetically by testator.

1705-1830 Index of Wills.

Vol. I - 1705 to 1804.

Vol. II - 1804 to 1830.

Each volume arranged alphabetically by testator

1705-1900 Index to Wills.

Vol. I - Atlantic to Essex Cos.

Vol. II - Gloucester to Monmouth Cos.

Vol. III - Morris to Warren Cos.

Each county alphabetical by name of testator.

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